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## BUSINESS

### Stronach pays \$14M for farm

Stouffville Rd. land  
zoned for agriculture

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Frank Stronach's Adena Springs racing and breeding horse farm has purchased about 260 acres of land on Stouffville Road.

The property, in and around the Whitchurch-Stouffville community of Ringwood, sold for about \$14 million.

The land, which runs between Hwy. 48 and McCowan Road on the south side of Stouffville Road, will be used to grow hay for the operations racing and breeding horses, according to Mike Rogers, business manager for Adena Springs Canada.

The land is zoned for agriculture, according to the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville.

Aurora-based Adena Springs has been purchasing its hay but now "we're going to try and save money and do it ourselves," Mr. Rogers said. "We've been trying to acquire large chunks of land to give us hay for as long as we have horses."

The property, once owned by Hereford cattle breeder and Ringwood Farms owner George Rodanz, was not up for sale.

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## LOVING THE LAKE



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Kelcie Burling (left) and Gabie Tyson share some love during the Whitchurch-Stouffville Winter Carnival at Cedar Beach Park on Musselman's Lake last weekend. They also got a jump on Valentine's Day. To see additional photographs go to [yorkregion.com](http://yorkregion.com) and turn to page 3.

## Lack of ice scrubs Family Day hockey event

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Our unseasonably green and warm winter has claimed another casualty.

A Family Day pond hockey tournament has been scrubbed due to a lack of ice.

The inaugural event was planned for Whitchurch-Stouffville's outdoor rinks.

"The weather has conspired against us and it is evident we will not be able to play ice hockey," Jamey Morse, organizer and owner of Stouffville's Dominion Lending Centres Watermark Mortgage Group, said in an e-mail yesterday.

This is the first year the business had sponsored the event. Mr. Morse hopes to give a go in 2013 and turn it into an annual affair.

Entry fee was by donation, with all proceeds going to the Whitchurch-Stouffville Minor Hockey Association's Kids First Fund.

The program was launched last fall and provides opportunities to kids who might otherwise not be able to participate in the hockey association.

Mr. Morse hoped to raise a few

thousand dollars.

Giveaways were planned throughout the day, including autographed Don Cherry memorabilia. Mr. Cherry is the company's national spokesperson.

There are other events planned for Monday's Family Day holiday.

Many are not weather dependent.

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